## Search for Single Top Quark Production at DØ in Run II

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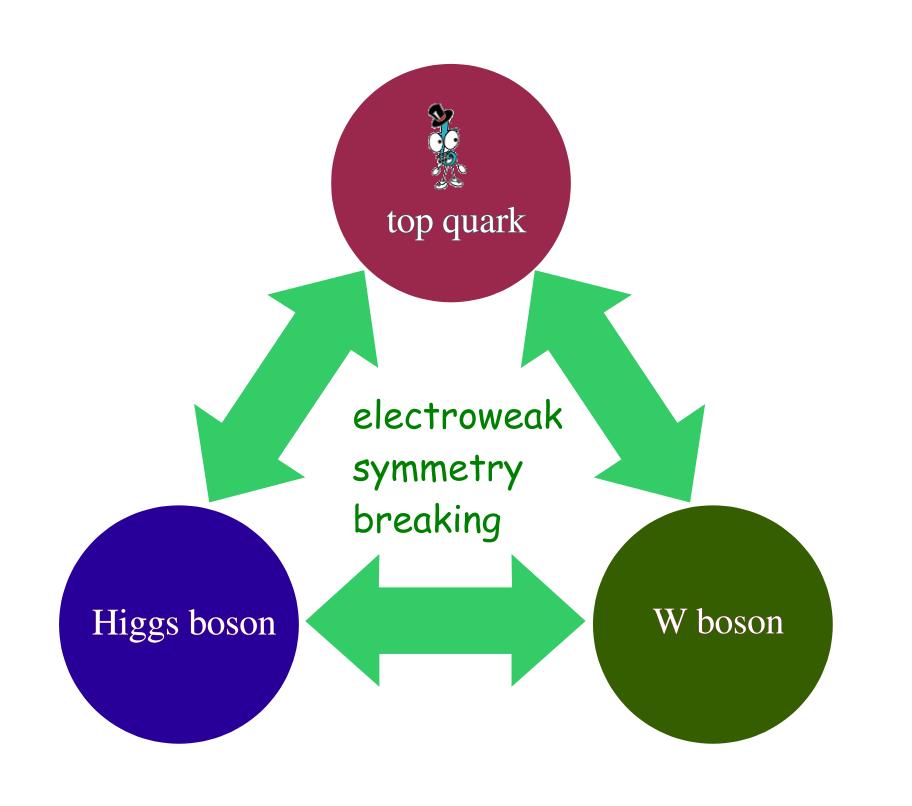


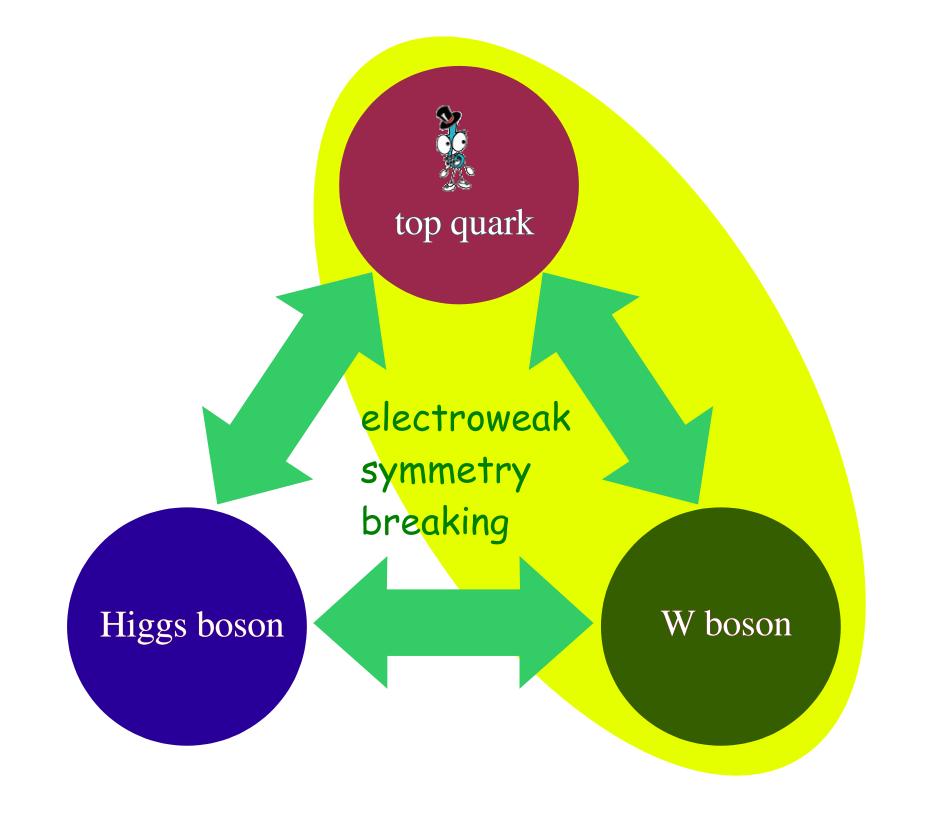






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#### **Outline**

- Introduction
  - Top quark
  - Electroweak top quark production
- The DØ experiment at the Tevatron
- Search for single top at DØ
  - Event selection
  - Discriminating variables
  - Final analysis method
    - Cut-based analysis
    - Neural network analysis
    - Decision Tree analysis
- Conclusions/Outlook



## Top Quark

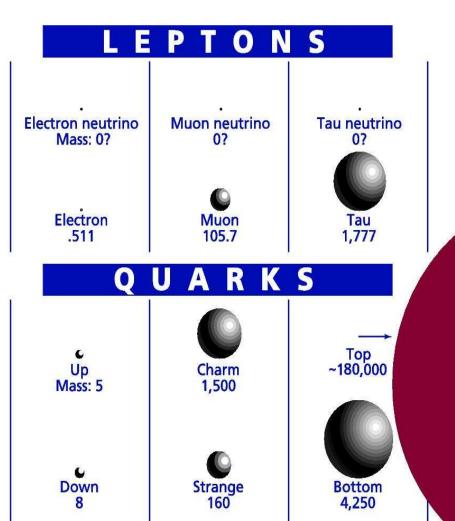
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- Discovered in 1995 by CDF and DØ at the Tevatron
- Heaviest of all fermions
  - 40 times heavier than b quark
- Only quark that decays before it hadronizes
  - Clean laboratory to study quark properties
- Couples strongly to SM Higgs boson
  - Electroweak symmetry breaking

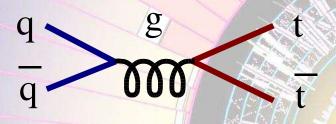


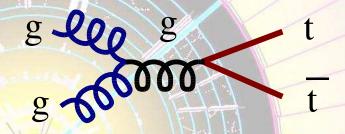


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## Fundamental Interactions

- Strong force
  - Top quark production in hadron colliders





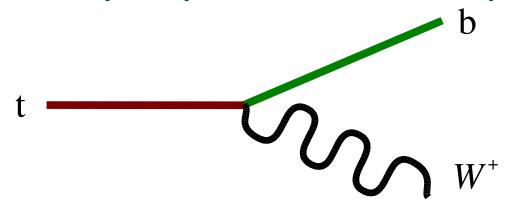
- Electroweak neutral current
  - Top quark production in lepton colliders

$$e^+$$
  $\psi Z$   $t$ 

Top quark pair creation

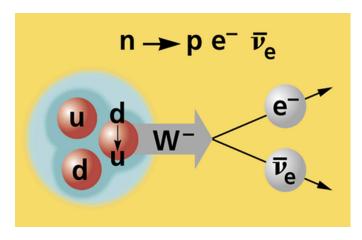
#### Top Quark Interactions

- Electroweak charged current
  - So far, we only really know that it does decay



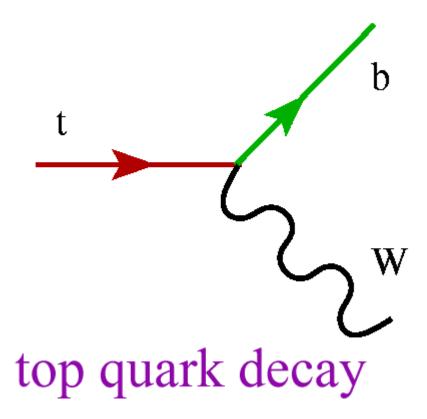
#### Top quark decay

- Electroweak charged current also responsible for nuclear Beta decay





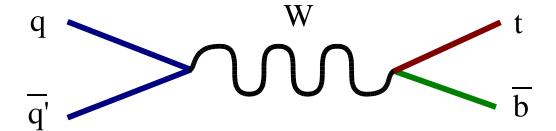
### Top Quark Electroweak Interaction



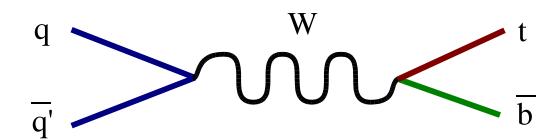
Wtb vertex has many angles



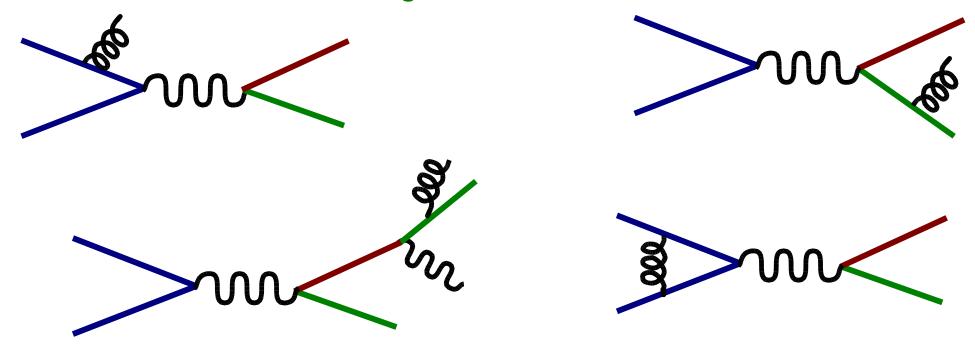
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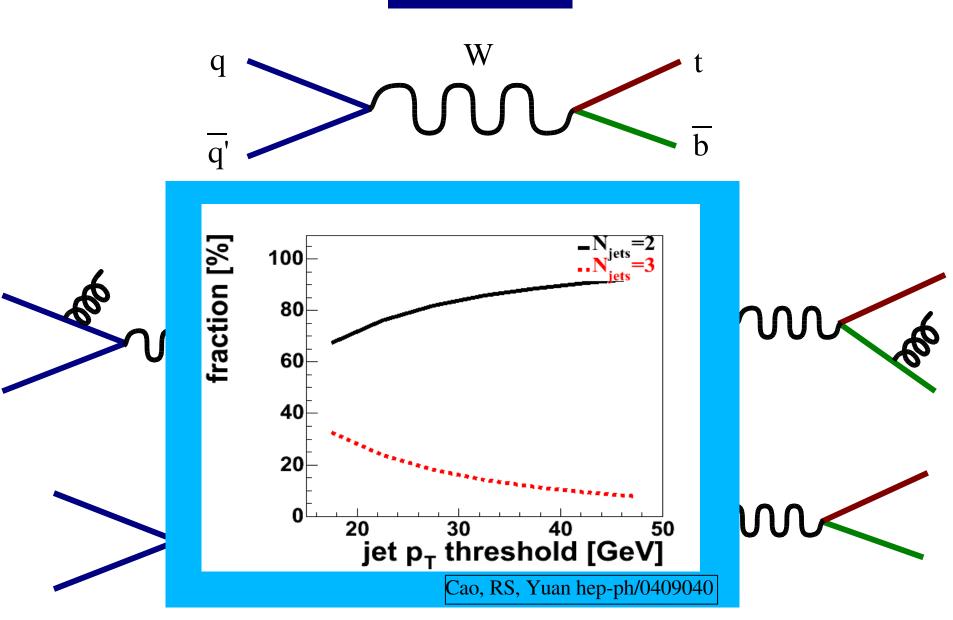
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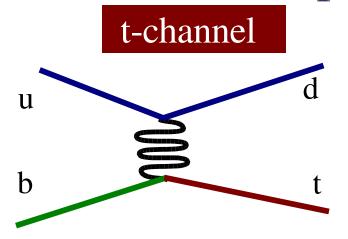


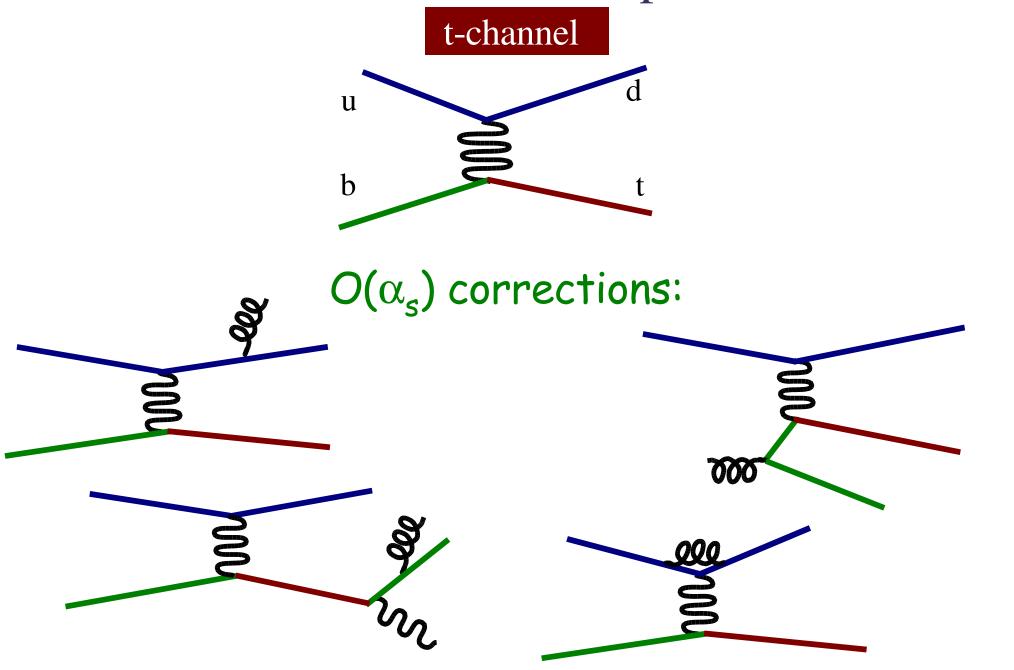
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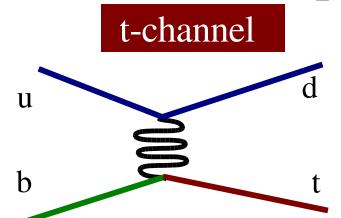


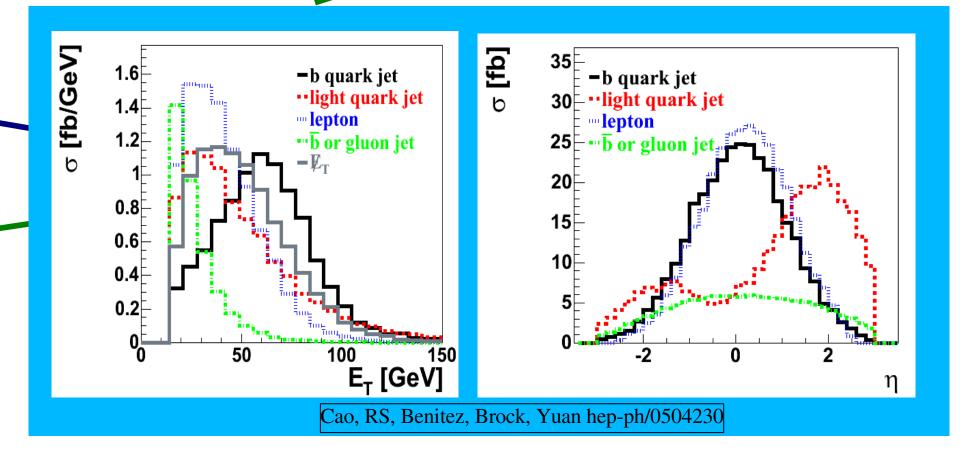




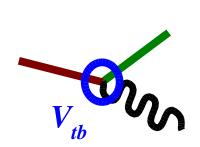








- Observe single top quark production
- Measure production cross sections  $\rightarrow V_{tb}$ 
  - Separately for s-channel and t-channel



$$\begin{pmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{CKMIMatrix} \\ V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_{b} \\ \mathbf{V}_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

Weak interaction eigenstates are not mass eigenstates Top quark must decay to a W plus a d, s, or b quark

$$V_{td}^2 + V_{ts}^2 + V_{tb}^2 = 1$$
  $\longrightarrow$   $V_{tb} > 0.999$ 

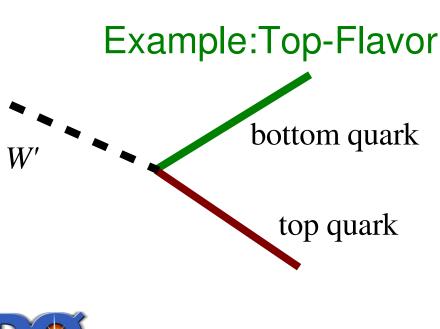
New physics that couples to the top quark:

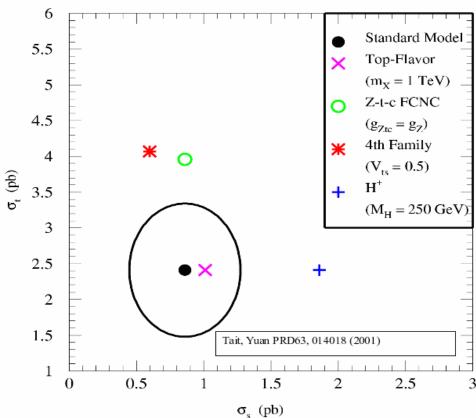
$$V_{td}^2 + V_{ts}^2 + V_{tb}^2 + V_{tx}^2 = 1$$

Only weak constraints on  $V_{tb}$ 



- Observe single top quark production
- Measure production cross sections
  - CKM matrix element  $V_{tb}$
- Look for physics beyond the Standard Model
  - Different sensitivity for s-channel and t-channel



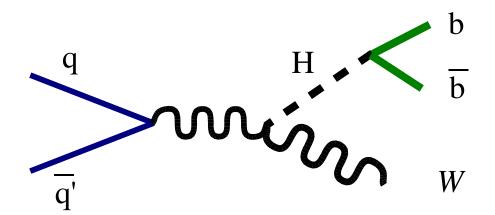




- Observe single top quark production
- Measure production cross sections
  - CKM matrix element  $V_{tb}$
- Look for physics beyond the Standard Model
- Study top quark spin correlations probe V-A
  - Physics with ~100% polarized top quarks



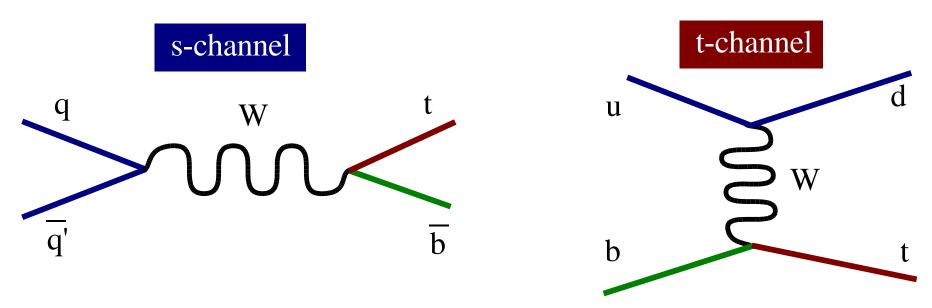
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- Measure production cross sections
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- Look for physics beyond the Standard Model
- Study top quark spin correlations probe V-A
- Irreducible background to associated Higgs production





Gateway to the Higgs

#### Single Top Status

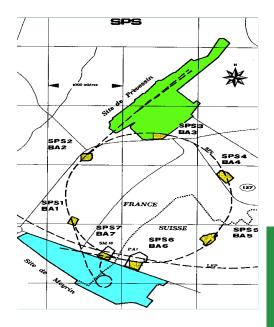


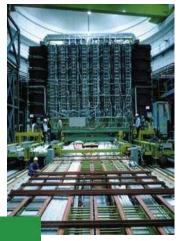
• Production cross section:

	s-channel	t-channel	s+t
<ul><li>NLO calculation:</li></ul>	0.88pb (±8%)	1.98pb (±11%)	
– Run I 95% CL limits, DØ:	< 17pb	< 22pb	
CDF:	< 18pb	< 13pb	< 14pb
- Run II CDF 95% CL limits:	< 14pb	< 10pb	< 18pb

• Other Standard Model production mode (Wt) negligible









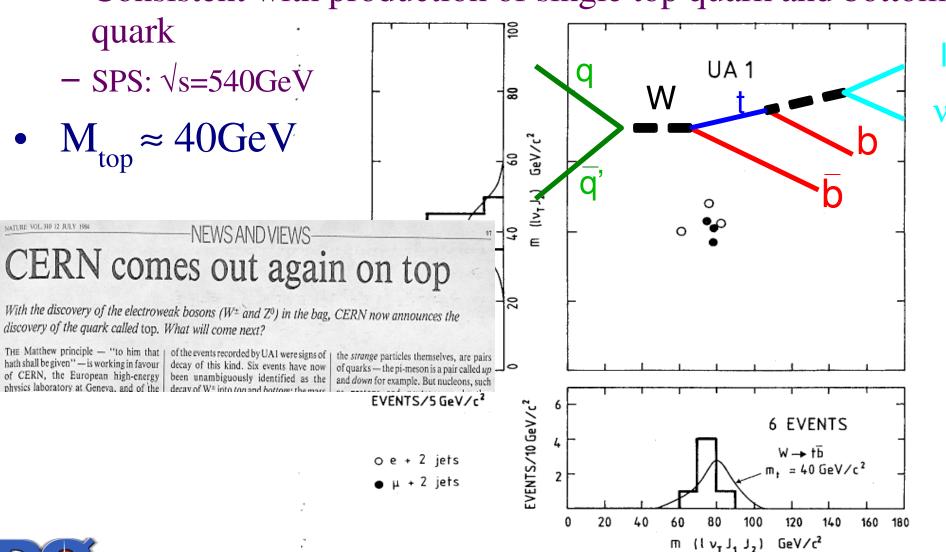






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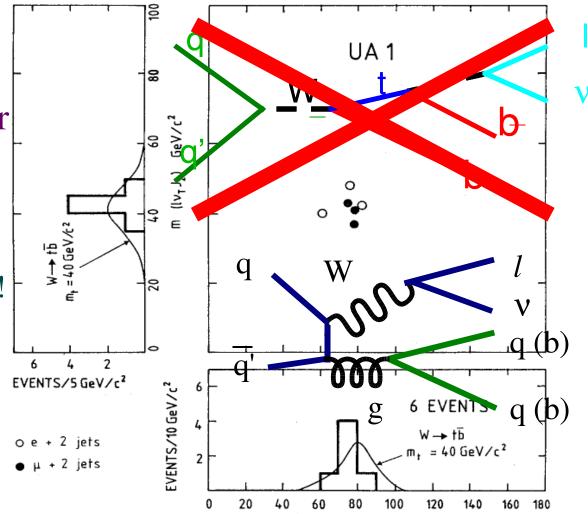
quark

•  $M_{top} \approx 40 \text{GeV}$ 

 Not confirmed after more data and better background estimation

• W+jets production!





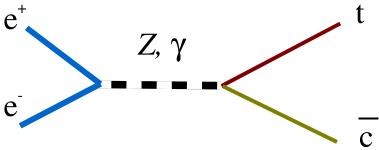
m ( $[v_1]$ ,  $[v_2]$ , GeV/ $c^2$ 

### Single Top at LEP and Hera: FCNC

#### • LEP:

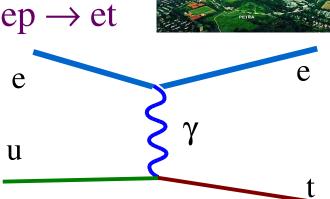
$$-e^+e^- \rightarrow tc$$

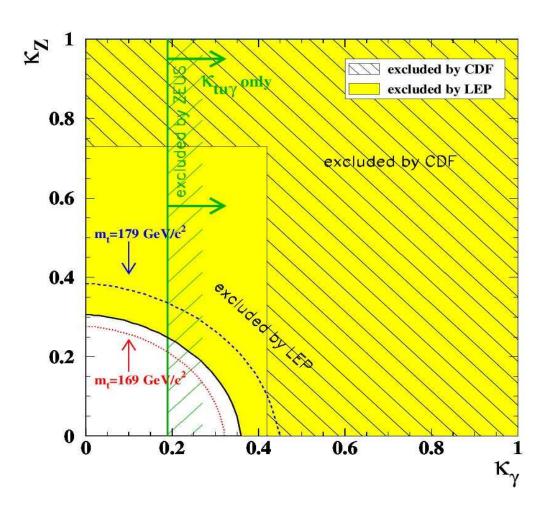




• Hera:

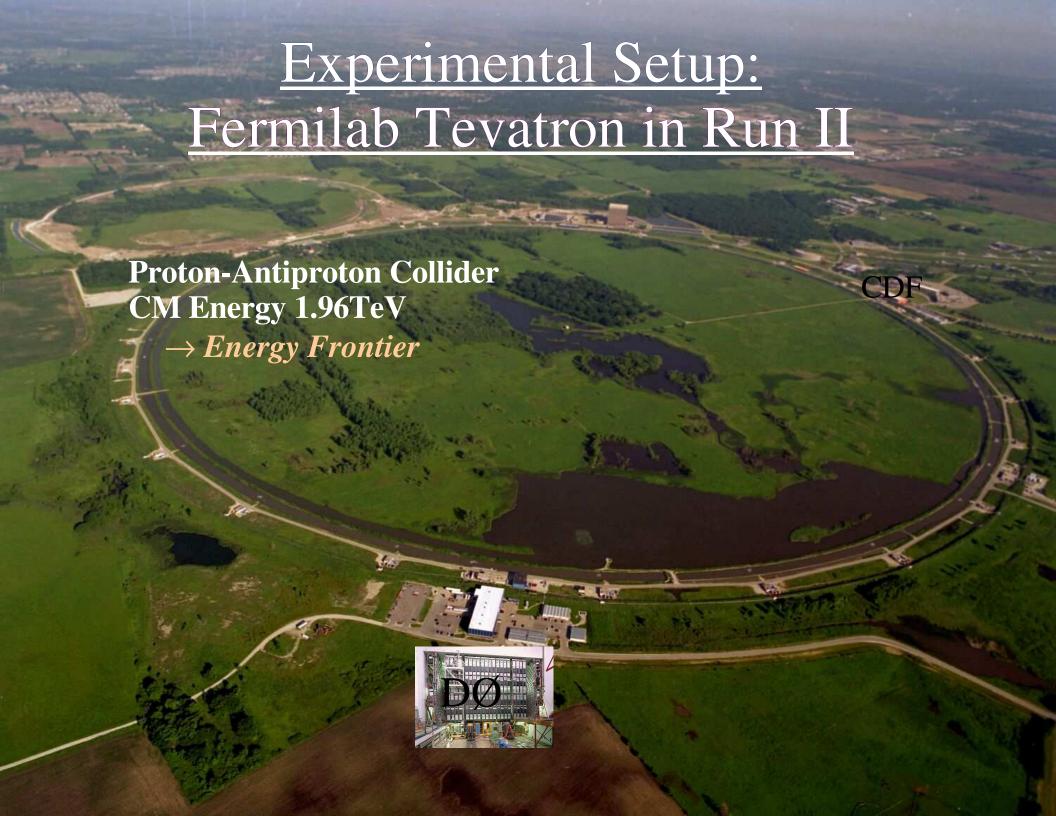
$$-ep \rightarrow et$$





# Experimental Detection of Single Top Events





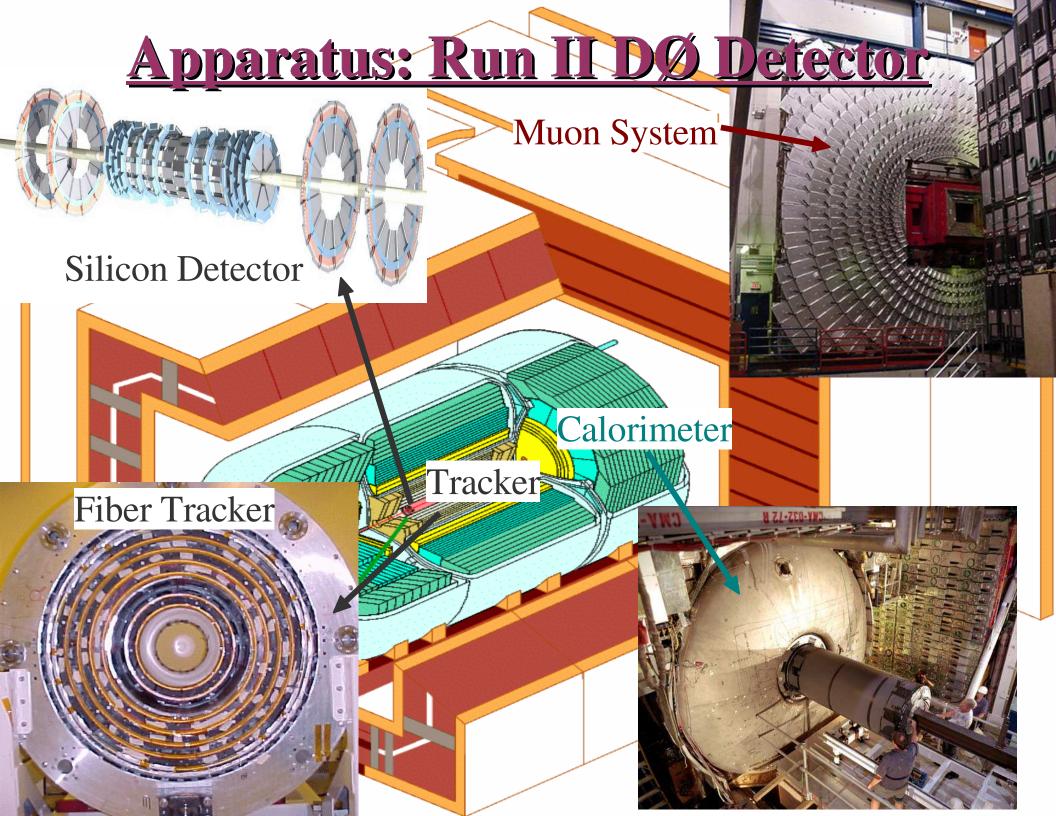
## Experimenters

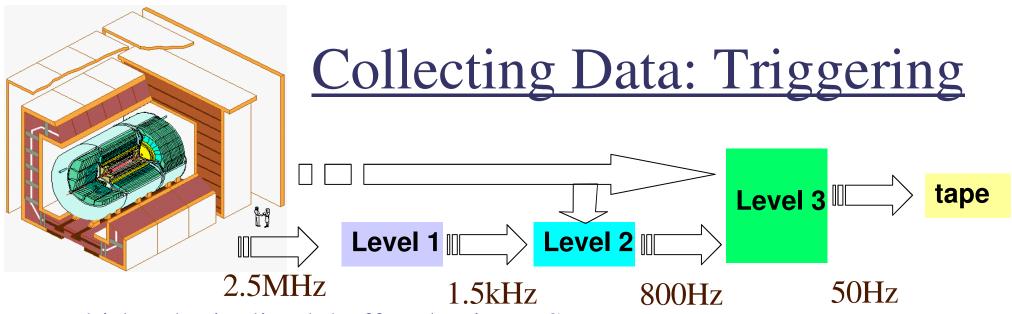


- → 19 countries
- → 80 institutions
- → 670 physicists



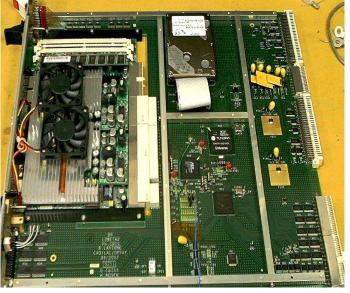




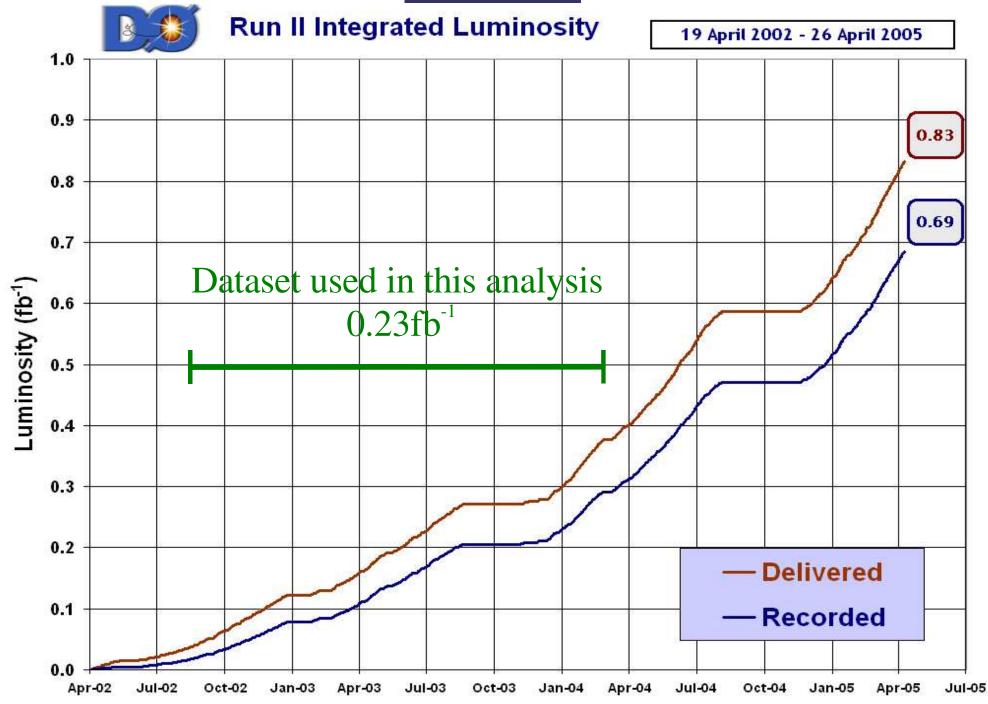


- Multi-level, pipelined, buffered Trigger Strategy
  - Level 1: one interaction every 396ns
    - Fast trigger pick-offs from all detectors
    - Trigger on hit patters in individual detector elements
  - Level 2: Combine Level 1 regions and objects
    - Custom dataflow hardware/firmware
    - Event reconstruction on Pentium CPUs
  - Level 3: Full detector readout
    - Complete event reconstruction on Linux processor farm





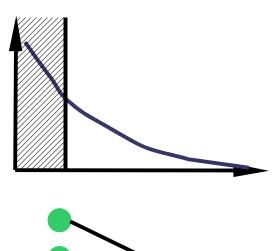
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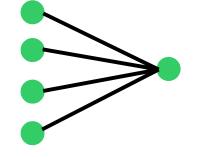


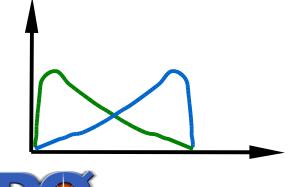
### Analysis Outline

#### Goal:

Maximize Sensitivity







#### 1. Event Selection

- Select W-like events
- Maximize acceptance
- Model backgrounds

#### 2. Separate signal from backgrounds

- Find discriminating variables
- Cut/combine in multivariate analysis

#### 3. Determine cross section

- Event counting
- Binned likelihood

#### **Event Selection**

#### • Trigger:

- Electron +  $\geq$ 1 jets, muon +  $\geq$ 1 jets
- Lepton:
  - 1 electron:  $p_{\rm T} > 15 {\rm GeV}$ ,  $|\eta^{\rm det}| < 1.1$
  - $-1 \text{ muon: } p_{\text{T}} > 15 \text{GeV}, |\eta^{\text{det}}| < 2.0$

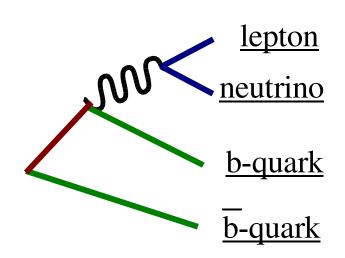




$$-p_T > 15 \text{GeV}, |\eta^{\text{det}}| < 3.4, p_T (\text{jet } 1) > 25 \text{GeV}$$

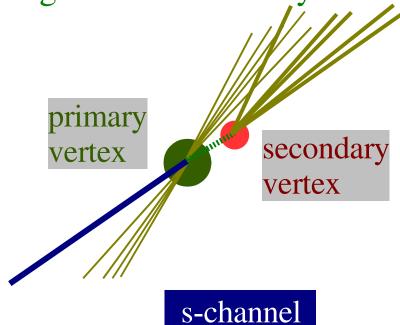
$$-2 \le n_{\text{jets}} \le 4$$

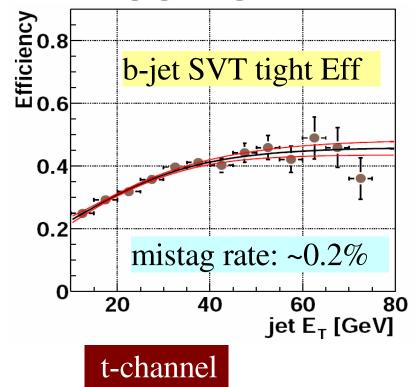
Reject mis-reconstructed events



## Event Selection: b-tagging

Algorithm: Secondary Vertex Tag



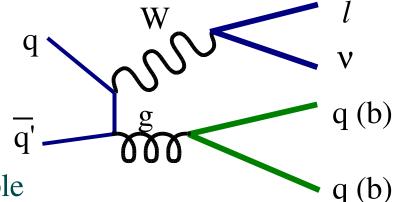


- Final state:
  - -2 high- $p_T$  b-jets
- → Require ≥1 b-tagged jet

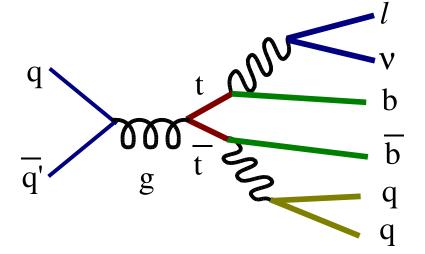
- Final state:
  - -1 high- $p_T$  b-jet
  - -1 high- $p_T$  light quark jet
- → Require ≥1 b-tagged jet
- → Require ≥1 untagged jet

## **Background Modeling**

- Based on data as much as possible
- W/Z+jets production
  - Estimated from MC/data
    - Distributions from MC
    - Normalization from pre-tagged sample
    - Flavor fractions from NLO
- Multijet events (misidentified lepton)
  - Estimated from data
- Top pair production
  - Estimated from MC
- Diboson (WZ, WW)
  - Estimated from <u>MC</u>

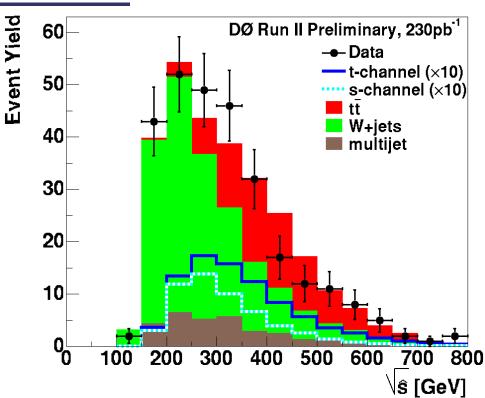






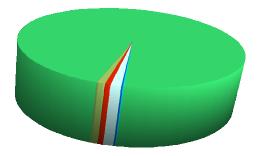
#### **Event Yield**

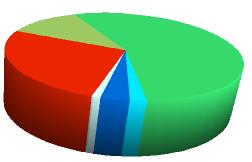
	s-channel	t-channel
Cut acceptance	23%	22%
b-tag efficiency	54%	38%
Signal yield	5.5	8.5
BKgnd yield	287	276
Signal/bkgnd	1:52	1:32

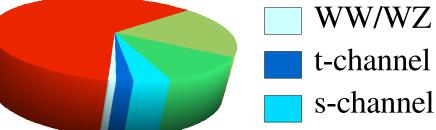


Pre-tagged 7100 events

=1 b-tag 252 events

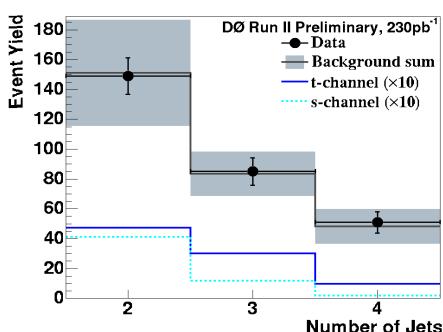






#### Systematic Uncertainties

Monte Carlo Systematic Uncertainties				
Theory cross sections	<b>15</b> %			
SVT modeling, single (double) tag	${f 10\%}({f 20\%})$			
Jet Energy Scale	<b>10</b> %			
Trigger Modeling	$oldsymbol{6}\%$			
Jet Fragmentation	$oldsymbol{6}\%$			
Jet ID	$oldsymbol{5}\%$			
ℓ <b>ID</b>	<b>5</b> %			

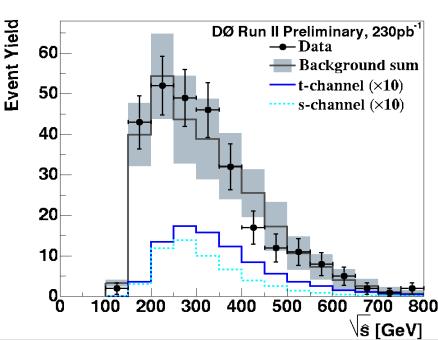


- Some uncertainties also affect shape
  - JES, b-tag and trigger modeling
- Total Uncertainty

=1 tag ≥2 tags Signal acceptance 15% 25%

Background sum 10% 26%

Result is statistics limited



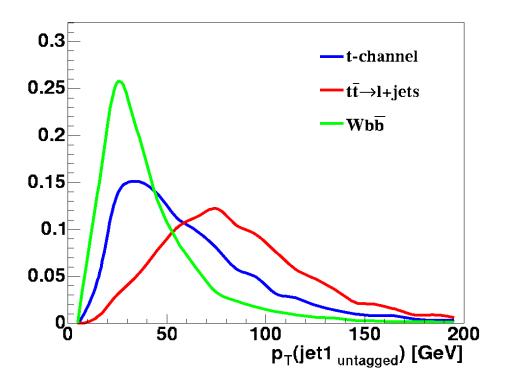
## A Treasure Chest of Discriminating Variables

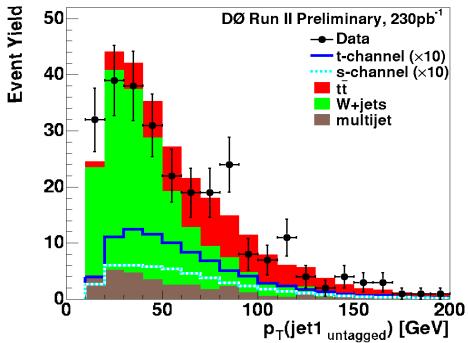




# Object $p_T$

- $p_T$  of jets:
  - Both s-channel and t-channel:
    - Jet1<sub>tagged</sub>
  - Only t-channel:
    - Jet 1<sub>untagged</sub>
    - Jet 2<sub>untagged</sub>
  - Only s-channel:
    - Jet 1<sub>non-best</sub>
    - Jet 2<sub>non-best</sub>

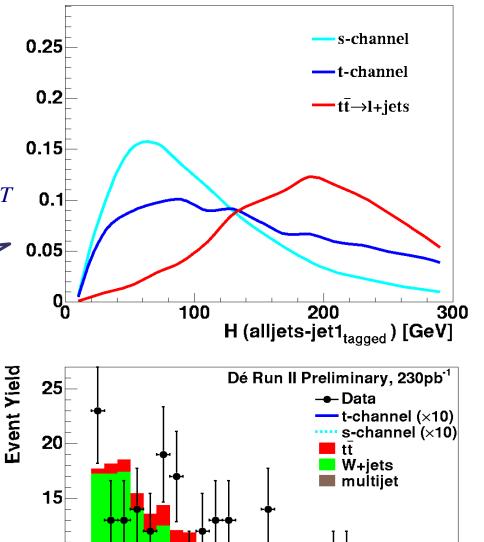


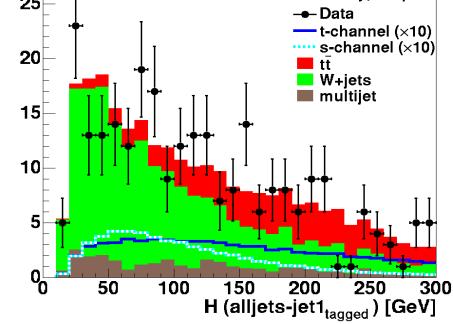




# **Event Energy**

- Total energy  $H = \sum_{i} E^{i}$ transverse energy  $H_{T} = \sum_{i} E^{i}_{T}$ 
  - Both s-channel and t-channel:
    - $H(\text{all jets} \text{Jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$
  - Only t-channel:
    - $H_T$ (all jets)
    - $H_T$ (all jets Jet1<sub>tagged</sub>)
  - Only s-channel:
    - *H*(all jets Jet<sub>best</sub>)
    - $H_T$ (all jets Jet<sub>best</sub>)

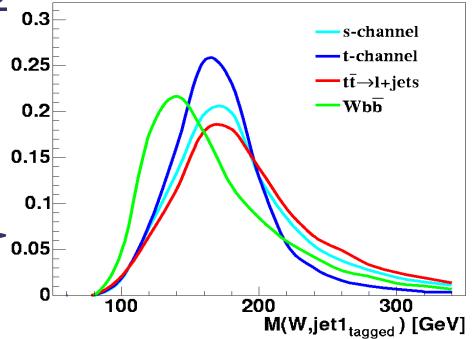


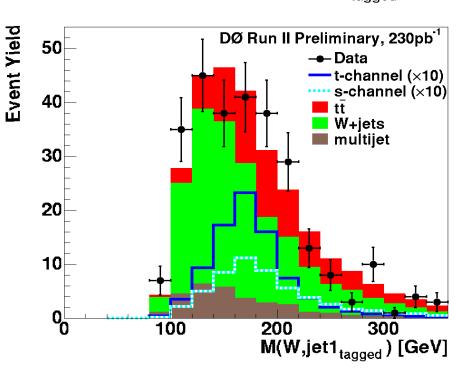




# Reconstructed Objects

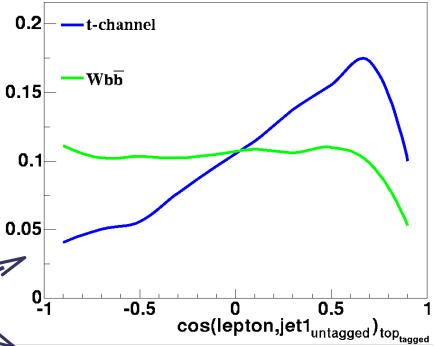
- Both s-channel and t-channel:
  - *M*(all jets)
  - $p_T(\text{all jets} \text{Jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$
  - $M(top_{tagged})$
  - √ŝ
- Only t-channel:
  - $M(\text{all jets Jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$
- Only s-channel:
  - $M_T(\text{Jet1}, \text{Jet2})$
  - $p_T(\text{Jet1}, \text{Jet2})$
  - $M(\text{all jets} \text{Jet1}_{\text{best}})$
  - $M(top_{best})$

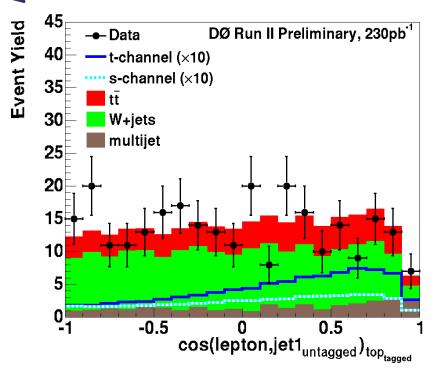




# **Angular Correlations**

- Both s-channel and t-channel:
  - $\Delta$ R(Jet1, Jet2)
- Only t-channel:
  - $\eta(\text{Jet1}_{\text{untagged}}) \times Q(\text{lepton})$
  - cos(lepton, Jet1<sub>untagged</sub>)<sub>toptagged</sub>
    - Spin correlation in optimal basis
  - cos(all jets, Jet1<sub>tagged</sub>)<sub>all jets</sub>
- Only s-channel:
  - $cos(lepton, Q(lepton) \times z)_{top_{best}}$ 
    - Spin correlation in optimal basis
  - cos(all jets, Jet1<sub>non-best</sub>)<sub>all jets</sub>







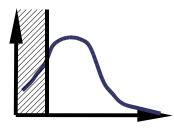
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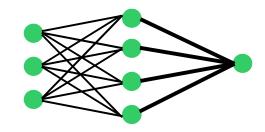
Three analysis methods

Cut-Based

Neural Networks

**Decision Trees** 

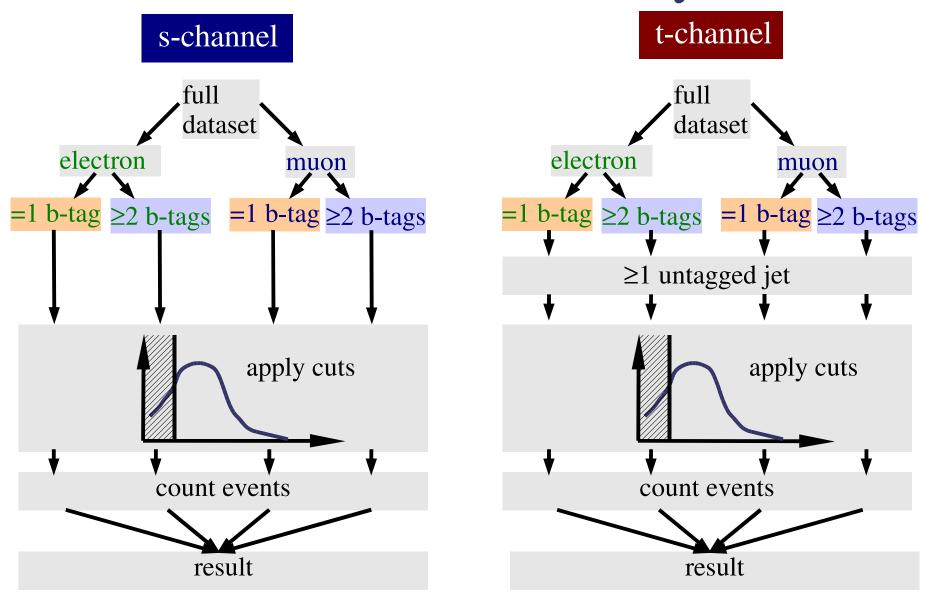






- Each using the same structure:
  - Optimize separately for s-channel and t-channel
    - Optimize separately for electron and muon channel (same variables)
  - Focus on dominant backgrounds: W+jets, tt
    - W+jets train on tb-Wbb and tqb-Wbb
    - tt train on tb tt  $\rightarrow l$  + jets and tqb tt  $\rightarrow l$  + jets
  - Based on same set of discriminating variables
  - → 8 separate sets of cuts/networks/trees

# 1. Cut-Based Analysis





# 1. Cut-Based Analysis

- Cuts on sensitive variables to isolate single top
  - Optimize s-channel and t-channel searches separately
  - Loose cuts on energy-related variables:

```
p_T (jet1<sub>tagged</sub>)
H(alljets - jet1<sub>tagged</sub>)
H(alljets - jet1<sub>best</sub>)
H_T(alljets)
M(top<sub>tagged</sub>)
M(alljets)
M(alljets - jet1<sub>tagged</sub>)
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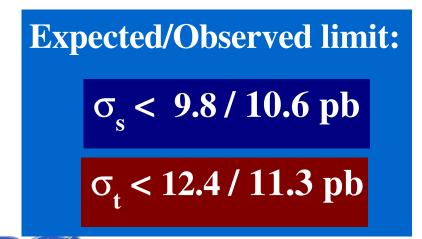
	Event Yields		
	s-channel t-channe		
	search	search	
s-channel signal	4.5	3.2	
t-channel signal	5.5	7	
W+jets	103	73	
top pairs	28	56	
multijet	17	17	
Background sum	$153\pm25$	149±25	
Observed	152	148	
Signal/Bkgnd	1:34	1:21	

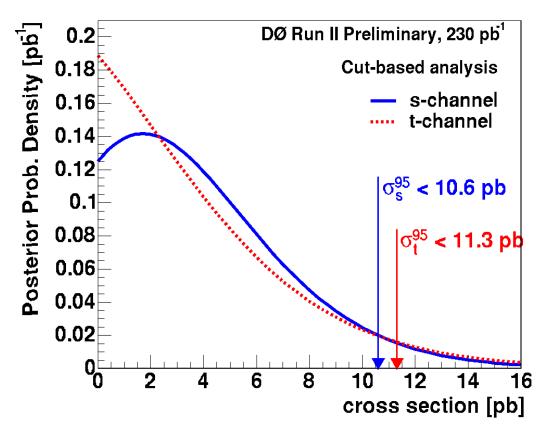


# Result

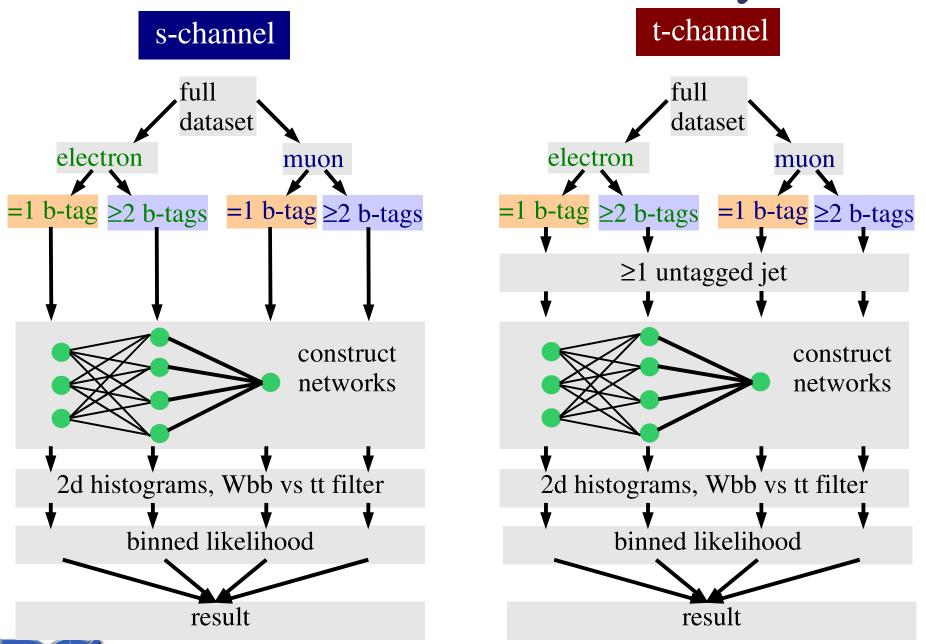
- No evidence for single top signal
  - → Set 95% CL upper cross section limit
  - Using Bayesian approach
  - Combine all analysis channels (e,  $\mu$ , =1 tag, ≥2 tags)
  - Take systematics and correlations into account

Expected limit: set N<sub>obs</sub> to background yield

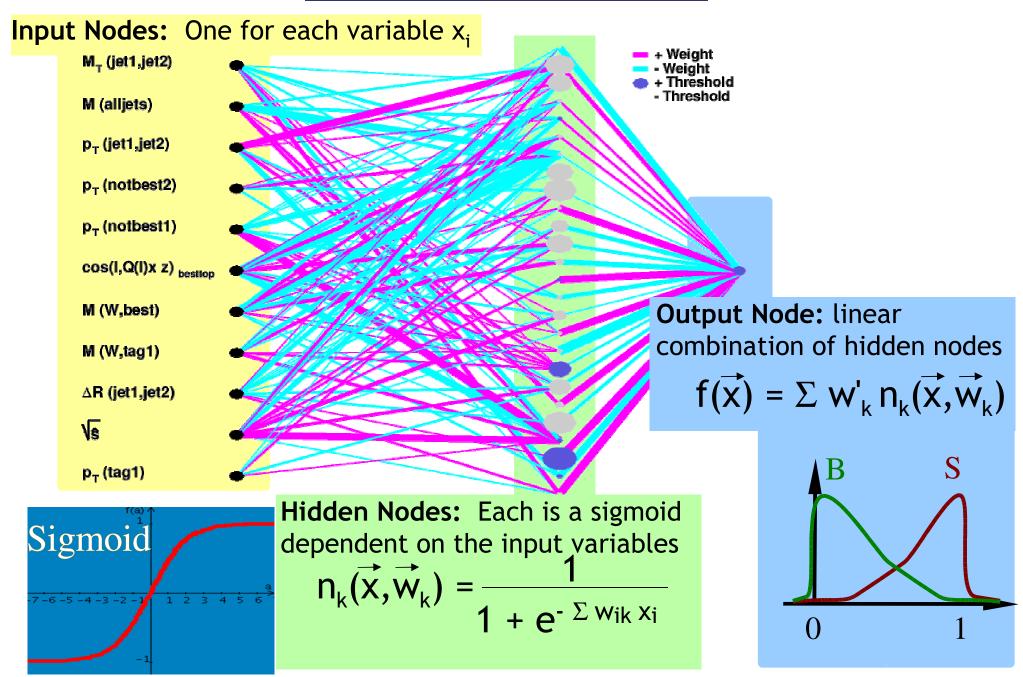




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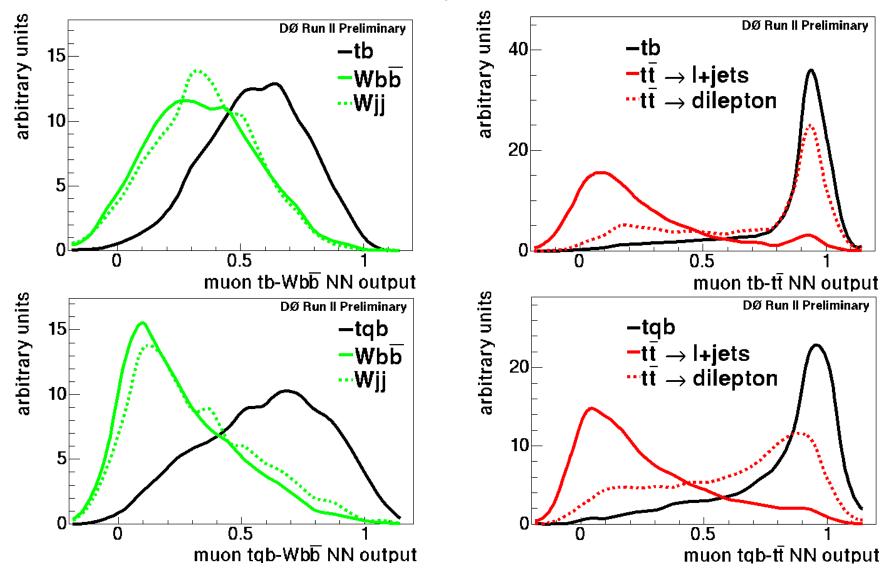


#### Neural Networks

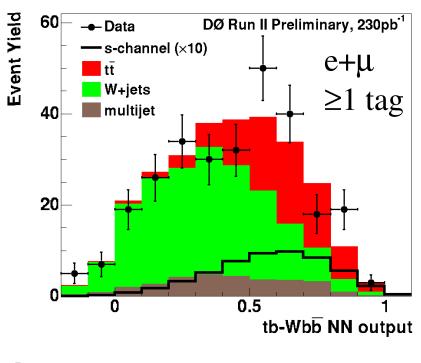


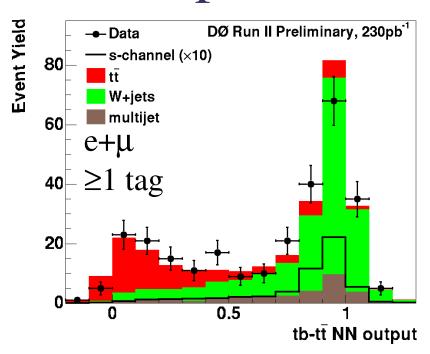
#### Neural Network Filters

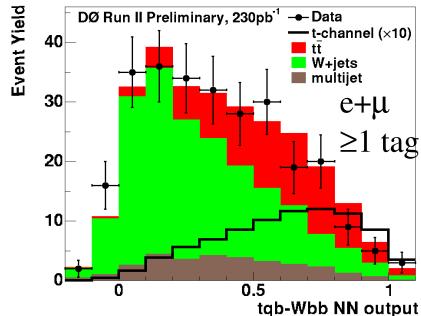
- Focus on the largest backgrounds: Wbb and  $tt \rightarrow l+jets$
- Same variables for electron and muon channel
- Same filter for =1 tag and  $\geq$ 2 tags

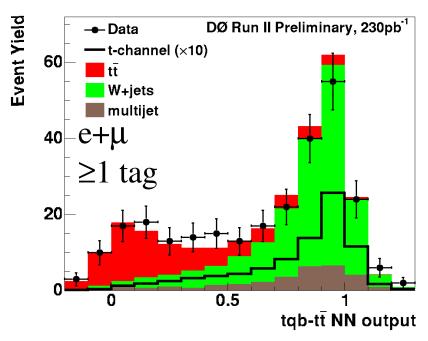


# Neural Network Output



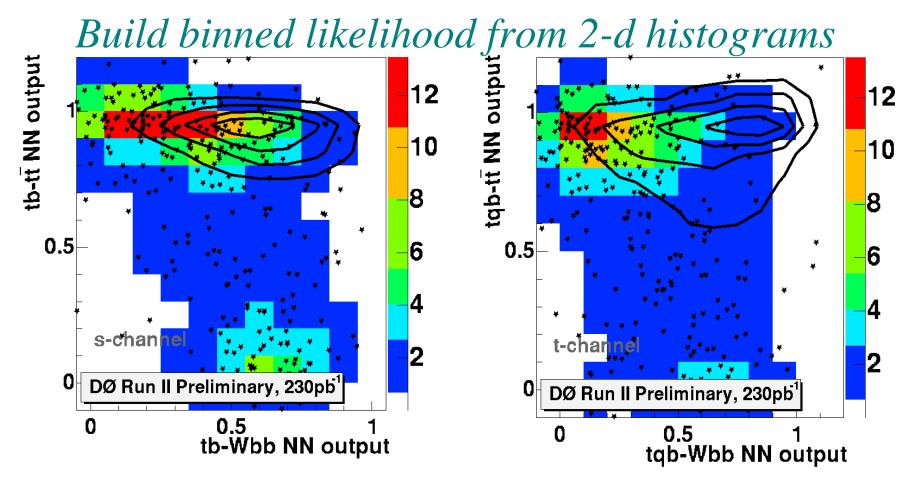






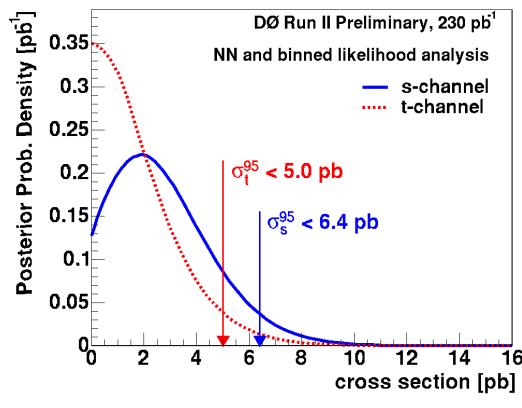
# Result

- No evidence for single top signal
  - → Set 95% CL upper cross section limit
  - Using Bayesian approach and binned likelihood
  - Including bin-by-bin systematics and correlations



#### Result

Expected/Observed limit:  $\sigma_{s} < 4.5 / 6.4 \text{ pb}$   $\sigma_{t} < 5.8 / 5.0 \text{ pb}$ 

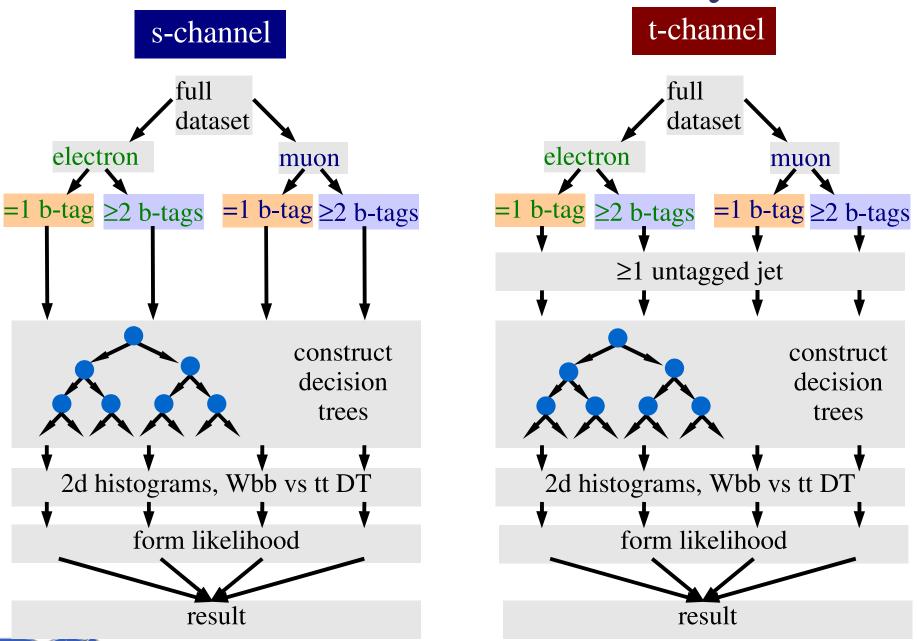


- Most sensitive analysis method
- Improvement compared to cut-based analysis due to:
  - Multivariate analysis
  - Binned likelihood fit



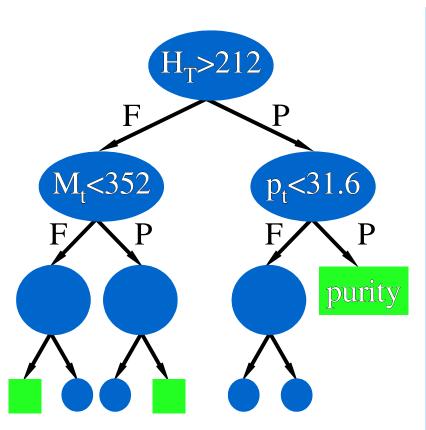


# 3. Decision Tree Analysis



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- For each event, gives probability for an event to be signal
- Widely used in social sciences, recently also in HEP
  - GLAST, Miniboone object ID ( see Byron Roe W&C)



- Send each event down the tree
- Each node corresponds to a cut
  - Pass cut (P): right
  - Fail cut (F): left
- A leaf corresponds to a node without branches
  - Defines purity =  $N_S/(N_S+N_B)$
- Training: optimize Gini improvement

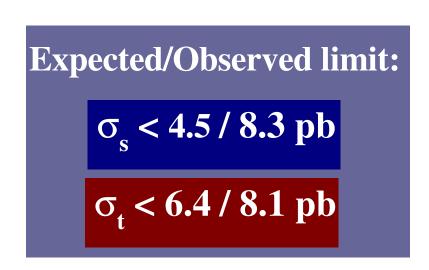
$$- Gini = 2 N_S N_B / (N_S + N_B)$$

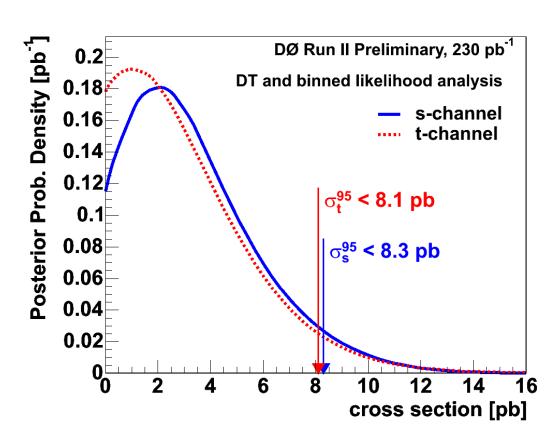
Output: purity for each event



# Result

- No evidence for single top signal
  - → Set 95% CL upper cross section limits
  - Same Bayesian likelihood approach as NN analysis





Sensitivity comparable to Neural Network analysis



# Summary

s-channel t-channel

NLO cross section

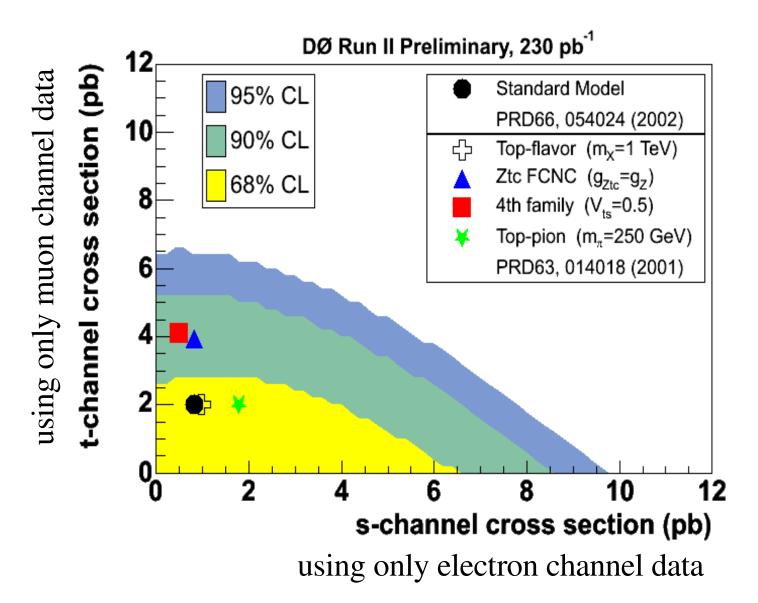
0.88 pb 1.98 pb

95% CL upper cross section limits [pb]

DØ Run I	17	22
CDF Run II (160pb <sup>-1</sup> )	13.6	10.1
This analysis (230pb <sup>-1</sup> )		
cut-based	10.6	11.3
DTs & binned likelihood	8.3	8.1
NNs & binned likelihood	6.4	5

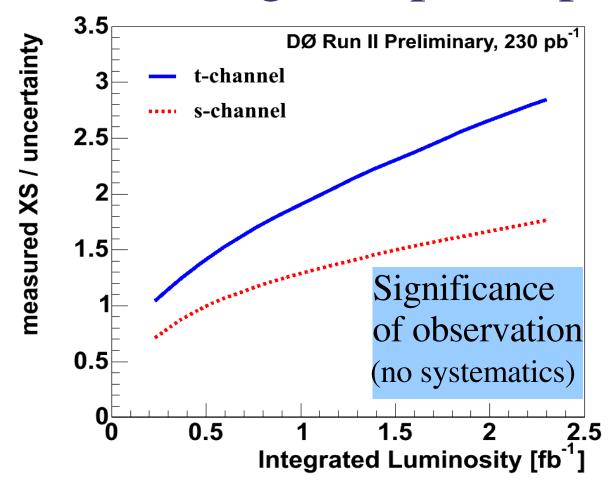


# Sensitivity to non-SM Single Top



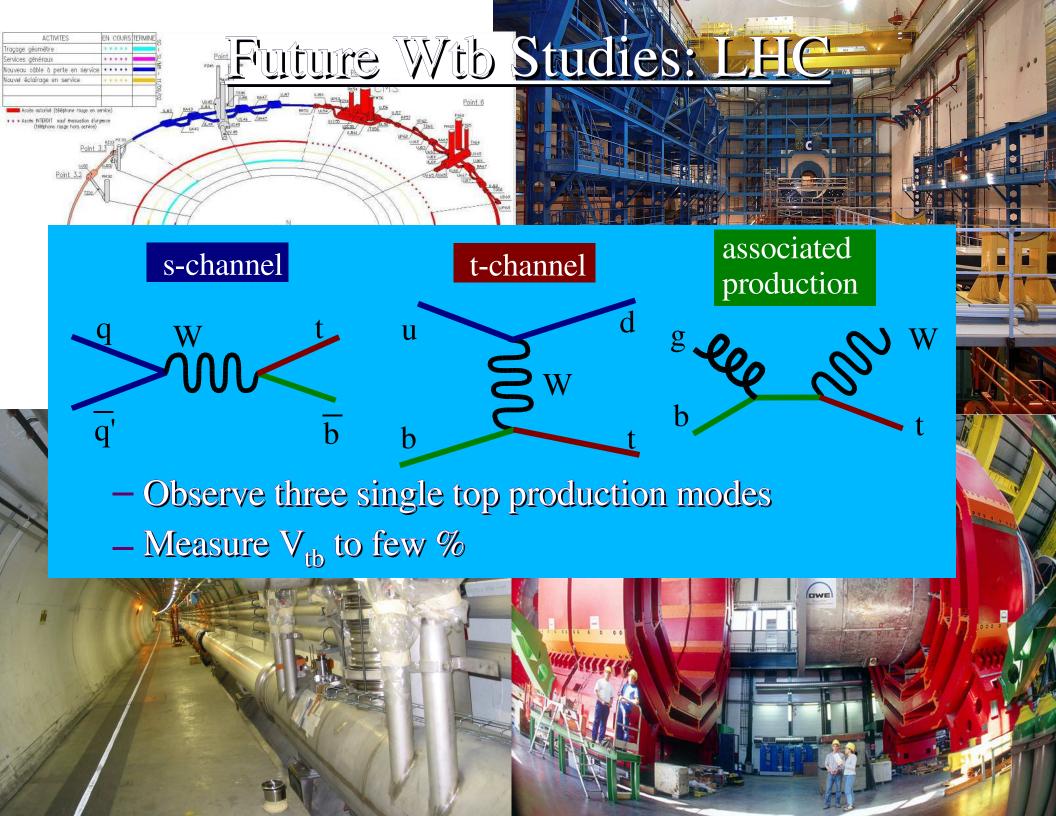


# Tevatron Single Top Prospects



- Observe single top production in Run II
  - Observe new physics (if it's there)
- Measure  $V_{tb}$  to ~10%





# **Conclusions**

- DØ Run II single top analysis with 230pb<sup>-1</sup> completed
  - Detector, trigger, software etc working and understood
  - -95% CL cross section limits of  $\sigma_s < \underline{6.4 \text{ pb}}$ ,  $\sigma_t < \underline{5.0 \text{ pb}}$
  - Factor 2 improvement over previous limits
  - Reaching sensitivity to new physics
- Single Top is an exciting opportunity for Run II
  - New and old (SM) physics
- This is just the beginning
  - Expect ×3 dataset by end of year
  - Improve all aspects of the analysis



Dawn of Run II Discoveries

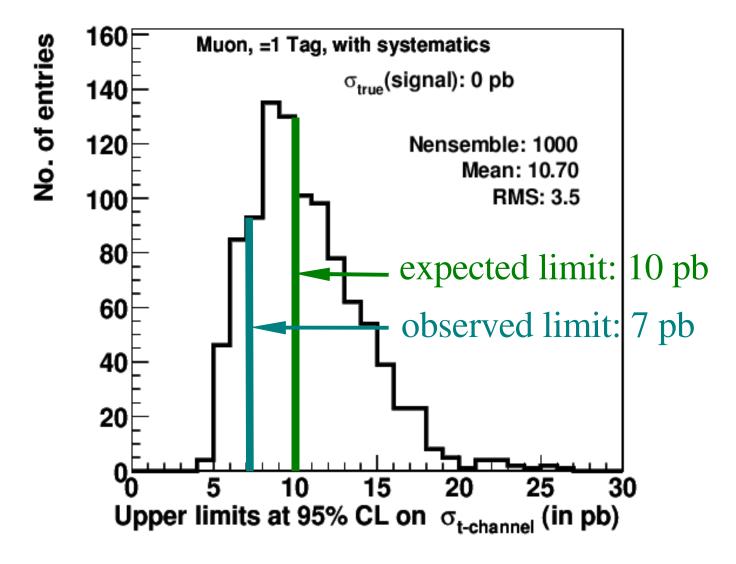


# Backup Slides



#### Ensemble Tests

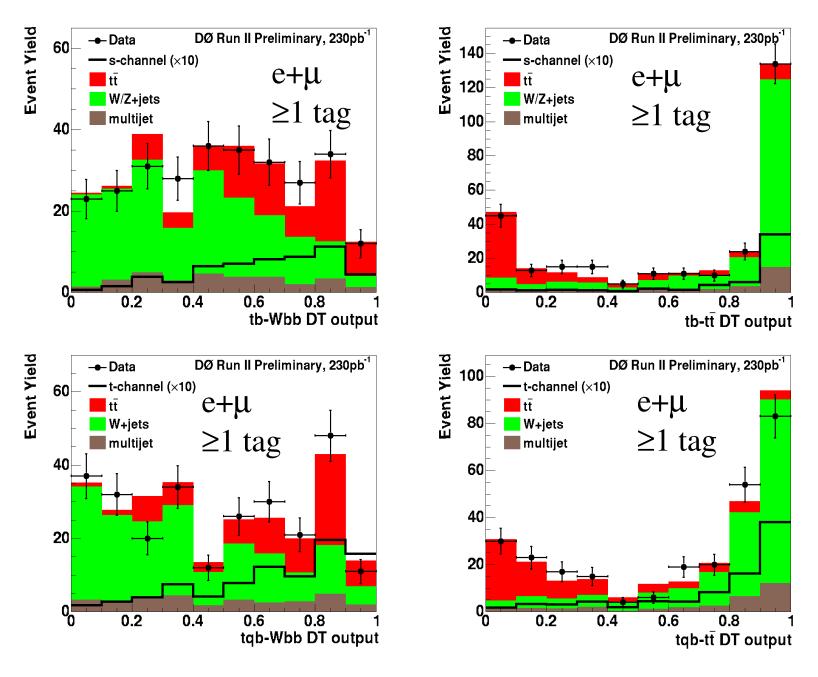
- Limits from pseudo-experiments
  - Vary count in each bin according to Poisson distribution





# Decision Tree Output

Follow NN approach closely: Same configuration, samples, variables



# Cut-Based Analysis Details

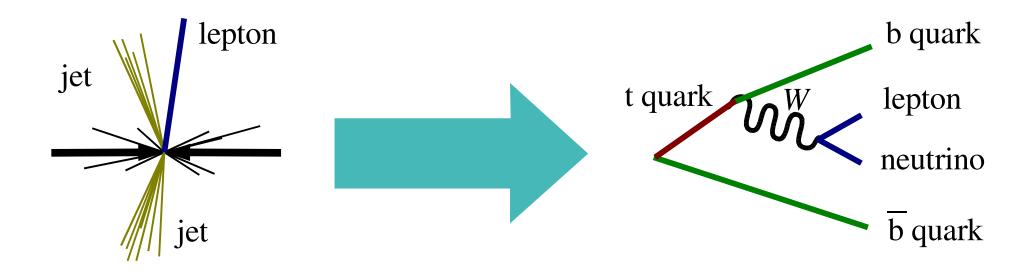
s-channel			t-channel	
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Channel	Variables	Cuts	Variables	Cuts
${f Electron}$				
=1  Tag	$p_T(\mathrm{jet1}_{\mathrm{tagged}})$	$> 27  \mathrm{GeV}$	$H_T({ m alljets})$	$>71~{ m GeV}$
	$M(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$< 70  \mathrm{GeV}$	$M( ext{alljets})$	$> 57~{ m GeV}$
	$\sqrt{\hat{s}}$	$> 196~{ m GeV}$	$\sqrt{\hat{s}}$	$>203~{ m GeV}$
			$ 175 - M(\text{top}_{\text{tagged}}) $	$< 57~{ m GeV}$
			$p_T(\mathrm{jet1}_{\mathrm{tagged}})$	$> 21~{ m GeV}$
$\geq 2 \text{ Tags}$	$p_T(\text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$>42~{ m GeV}$	$p_T(\text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$>34~{ m GeV}$
	$M(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$< 98~{ m GeV}$	$M(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$<75~\mathrm{GeV}$
	$H(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$< 304~{ m GeV}$	$H(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$< 504~{ m GeV}$
	$H(\text{alljets} - \text{jet}_{\text{best}})$	$< 304  \mathrm{GeV}$	$H(\text{alljets} - \text{jet}_{\text{best}})$	$< 504  \mathrm{GeV}$
$\mathbf{Muon}$				
=1  Tag	$p_T(\mathrm{jet1}_{\mathrm{tagged}})$	$>33~{ m GeV}$	$ 175 - M(top_{tagged}) $	$< 60~{ m GeV}$
	$M(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$<74~{ m GeV}$	$\sqrt{\hat{s}}$	$>210~{ m GeV}$
	$H(\text{alljets} - \text{jet}1_{\text{tagged}})$	$< 504~{ m GeV}$	$M({ m alljets})$	$>70~{ m GeV}$
	$H(\text{alljets} - \text{jet}_{\text{best}})$	$< 504~{ m GeV}$	$H_T({ m alljets})$	$>58~{ m GeV}$
$\geq 2 \text{ Tags}$	$p_T(\text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$>33~{ m GeV}$	$ 175 - M(top_{tagged}) $	$< 213~{ m GeV}$
	$M(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$<74~{ m GeV}$		
	$H(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$< 504~{ m GeV}$		
	$H(\text{alljets} - \text{jet}_{\text{best}})$	$< 504~{ m GeV}$		



# Variables:

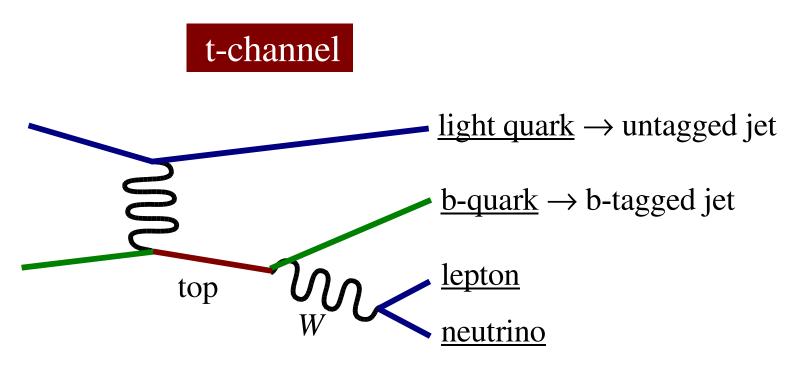
	Signal-Background Pairs			
	tb		tqb	
	Wbb	$t \overline{t}$	Wbb	$t \bar t$
Individual object kinematics				
$p_T(\text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
$p_T(\text{jet1}_{ ext{untagged}})$			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
$p_T(\text{jet2}_{\text{untagged}})$				$\checkmark$
$p_T(\text{jet1}_{\text{nonbest}})$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
$p_T(\mathrm{jet2_{nonbest}})$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	—	—
Global event kinematics				
$M_T({ m jet1,jet2})$	$\sqrt{}$			—
$p_T(\mathrm{jet1},\mathrm{jet2})$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	
$M({ m alljets})$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
$H_T( ext{alljets})$	_		$\checkmark$	
$M(\text{alljets} - \text{jetl}_{\text{tagged}})$				√,
$H(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$		$\checkmark$		√,
$H_T(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\texttt{tagged}})$				√.
$p_T(\text{alljets} - \text{jet1}_{\text{tagged}})$	_	$\sqrt{}$	_	$\checkmark$
$M(\text{alljets} - \text{jet}_{\texttt{best}})$	_	$\sqrt{}$	_	
$H(\text{alljets} - \text{jet}_{\text{best}})$		$\sqrt{}$		
$H_T(\text{alljets} - \text{jet}_{\texttt{best}})$		$\sqrt{}$		
$M(top_{tagged}) = M(W, jet1_{tagged})$	√,	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
$M(\text{top}_{\text{best}}) = M(W, \text{jet}_{\text{best}})$	$\checkmark$			
$\sqrt{\hat{s}}$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Angular variables				
$\Delta R( ext{jet1}, ext{jet2})$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	
$Q(\mathrm{lepton})  imes \eta(\mathrm{jet1}_{\mathtt{untagged}})$			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
$\cos(\operatorname{lepton}, Q(\operatorname{lepton}) \times z)_{\operatorname{top}_{best}}$	$\checkmark$	_		
$\cos(\text{lepton}, \text{jet1}_{\text{untagged}})_{\text{top}_{\text{tagged}}}$	_		$\sqrt{}$	
cos(alljets, jet1 <sub>tagged</sub> ) <sub>alljets</sub>			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
cos(alljets, jet <sub>nonbest</sub> ) <sub>all jets</sub>				

# Maximize Sensitivity: Final State Reconstruction





#### Final State Reconstruction

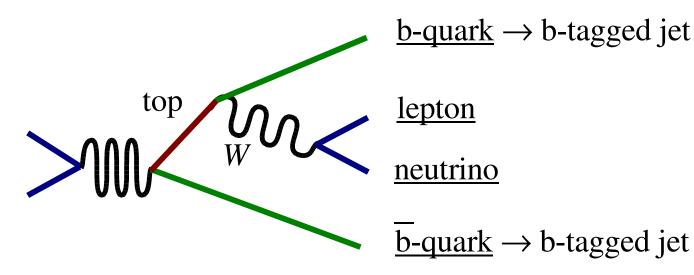


- Reconstruct W from lepton and  $E_T$
- Reconstruct top quark from W and leading b-tagged jet
- Reconstruct light quark as leading untagged jet



#### Final State Reconstruction

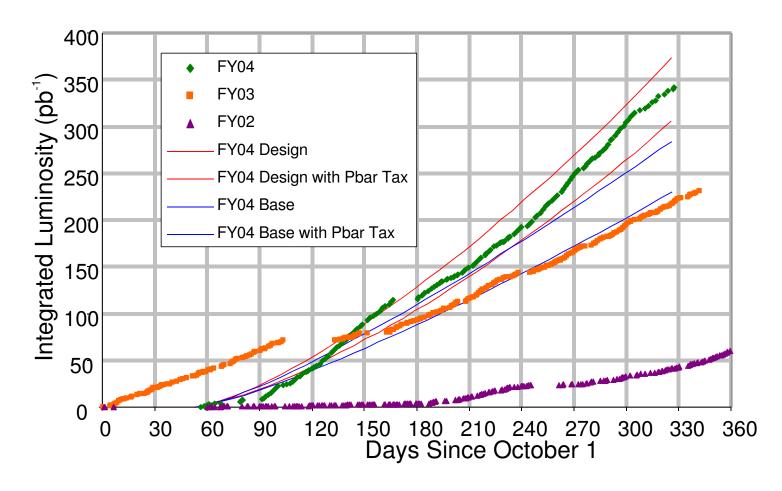
#### s-channel



- Reconstruct W from lepton and  $E_T$
- Reconstruct top quark from W and one of the jets using Best Jet Algorithm:
  - Pick jet for which M(W,jet) is closest to true top mass (175GeV)
- Reconstruct  $\overline{b}$ -quark as leading non-best jet



# Tevatron Integrated Luminosity per year



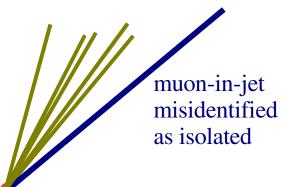
• Tevatron delivered luminosity is exceeding "baseline" and "design" projections



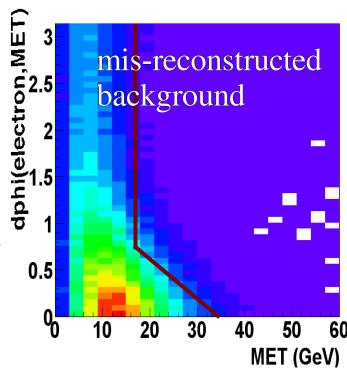


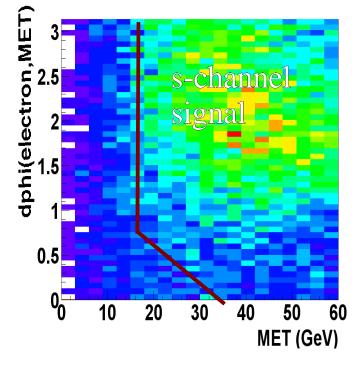
#### Mis-reconstructed Events?

- Cosmic rays (muons)
- Mis-reconstructed vertex
  - Affects missing transverse energy
- Mis-reconstructed jets
  - fake electron
  - fake isolated muon



- → Primary vertex constraints
  - Primary vertex with ≥3 tracks
  - Lepton is required to originate from primary vertex
- → Triangle Cuts







#### **Event Yield**

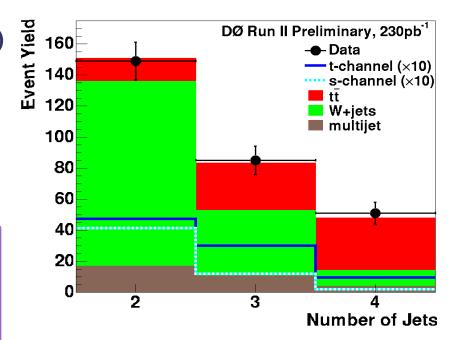
 $Y = L \times \sigma \times Br \times Acc(cuts) \times Eff(b-tag)$ 

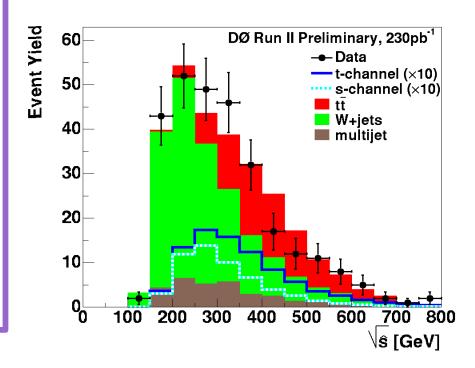
Acc(cuts) Eff(b-tag)

s-channel: 23% 54%

t-channel: 22% 38%

	Event Yields		
	s-channel	t-channel	
	search	search	
s-channel signal	<u>5.5</u>	4.7	
t-channel signal	8.6	<u>8.5</u>	
W+jets	169	164	
top pairs	78	76	
multijet	31	31	
Background sum	$287 \pm 44$	276±41	
Observed	283	271	

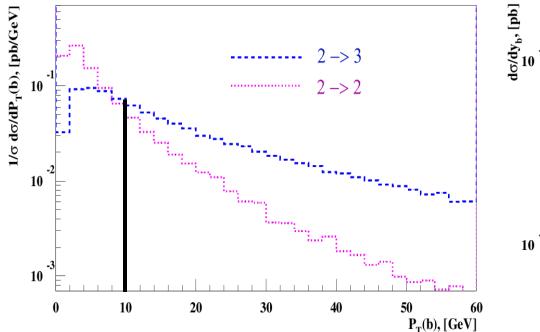


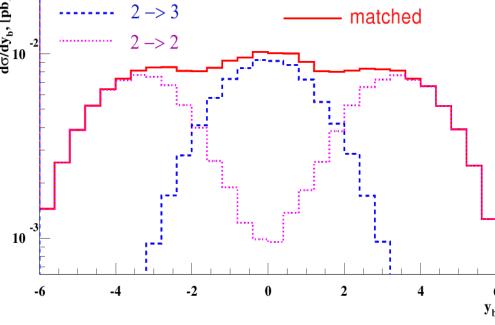


# Signal Modeling

- CompHEP-based generator
  - Includes  $O(\alpha_s)$  diagrams  $\rightarrow$  reproduces NLO distributions
  - Including top quark spin correlations
- Normalize to NLO cross sections

• t-channel: match  $2\rightarrow 3$  and  $2\rightarrow 2$  processes

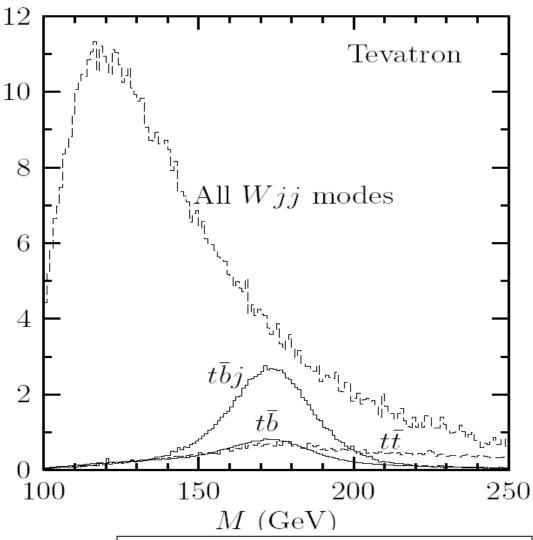






# Single Top – Expectation

- Predictions for Run II were to be sensitive to single top production with ~500pb<sup>-1</sup> Where is it?
  - Observation with 2fb<sup>-1</sup>
  - Starting to be interesting much sooner
- We have recorded >400pb at DØ already
  - -Observation soon?





Stelzer, Sullivan, Willenbrock, PRD58 (98)

# Single Top – Expectation vs Reality

• Predictions for Run II were to be sensitive to single top production with ~500pb<sup>-1</sup> – Where is it?

Detector performance
 not (yet) as good as expected

• b-tagging ~45% per jet

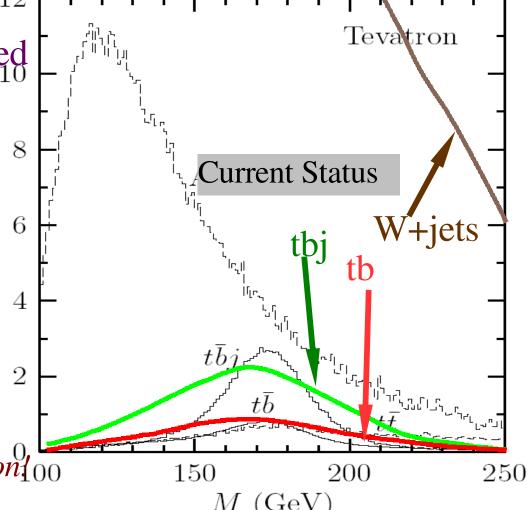
• Trigger, ID <100%

Jet resolution not (yet) as good as expected

 W+jets background larger than expected

• NLO calculations: LO×1.5

- Top mass, gluon PDF, ...



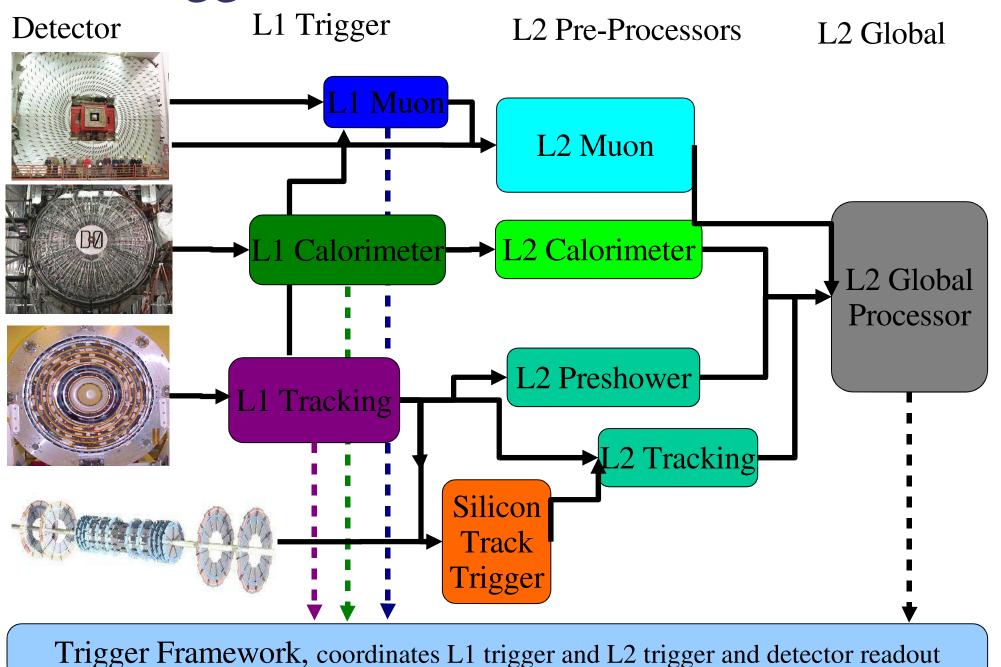
Many effects, all in the wrong direction  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix}$ 



# Level 2 Trigger

- Design: reduce 6kHz L1 accept rate to 1kHz
- Both custom hardware/firmware and commodity-based components
  - Dataflow from L1 and detector systems in custom systems
  - Algorithms in software running on commodity-based system
- Build Physics objects
  - Jets and EM objects are built from L1 calorimeter towers
  - Central tracks are built from L1 track trigger tracks
    - Now also Secondary Vertex Tagging
  - Muons are reconstructed from raw muon chamber hits
- Combine objects from different detector systems
  - Track matching to muons, electrons, or jets
- Allow for 128 different combinations
  - 1-1 matching of bits between L1 and L2

# Trigger Level 1/Level 2 Dataflow

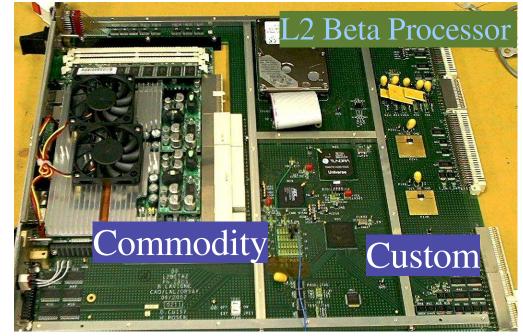


#### Trigger Hardware: Custom-built vs Commodity

- Trigger Level 1/Level 2 relies heavily on custom-built hardware/firmware
  - Cards designed/built mostly by Engineers feedback from Physicists
  - Systems commissioned mostly by Physicists help from Engineers
  - Firmware written by Engineers/Physicists
    - Most Firmware tasks too complex to be written by Physicists alone
- Trigger Level 2/Level 3 relies heavily on commodity

systems

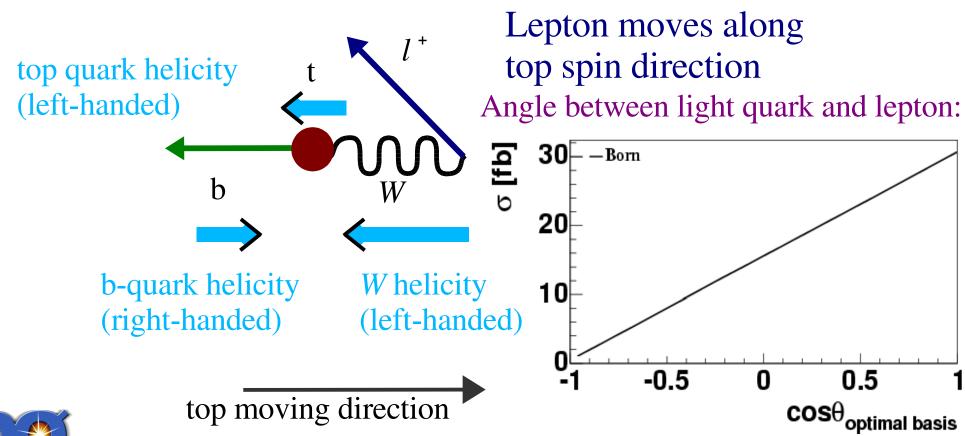
- Off-the-shelf products (computers, interfaces/cables)
- Interfaced to custom-built cards
- Software written by Physicists





# Top Quark Spin

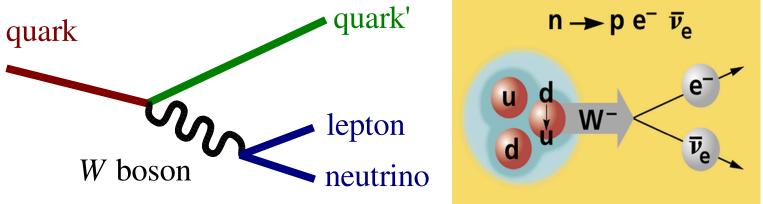
- Top Quark decays before it hadronizes
  - Full spin information is preserved in the decay products
  - Electroweak charged current interaction is left-handed
- Top polarization in the top rest frame:





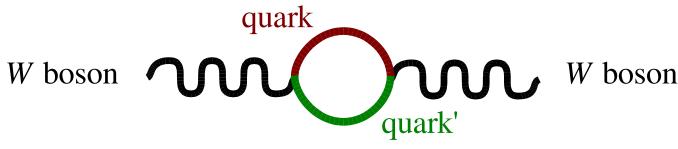
# **Quark Charged Current Interactions**

Observed and studied in particle decays



• Direct production of real W boson

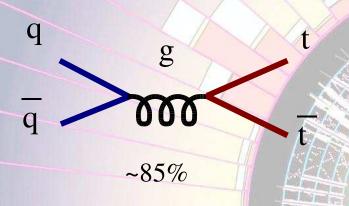
Virtual corrections to electroweak processes

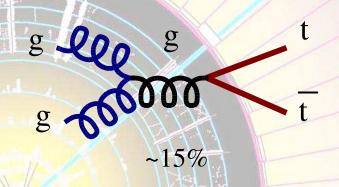




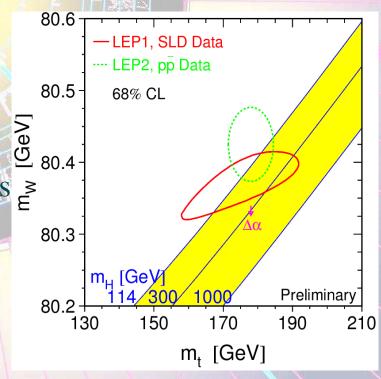
# **Tevatron Top Physics**

Top Pair Production at a Proton-Antiproton collider





- Top Pair Studies at the Tevatron
  - Production cross section
  - Top mass
    - Implications for Standard Model Higgs ≥
  - Look for new Physics
    - In top production and decay
  - Many more



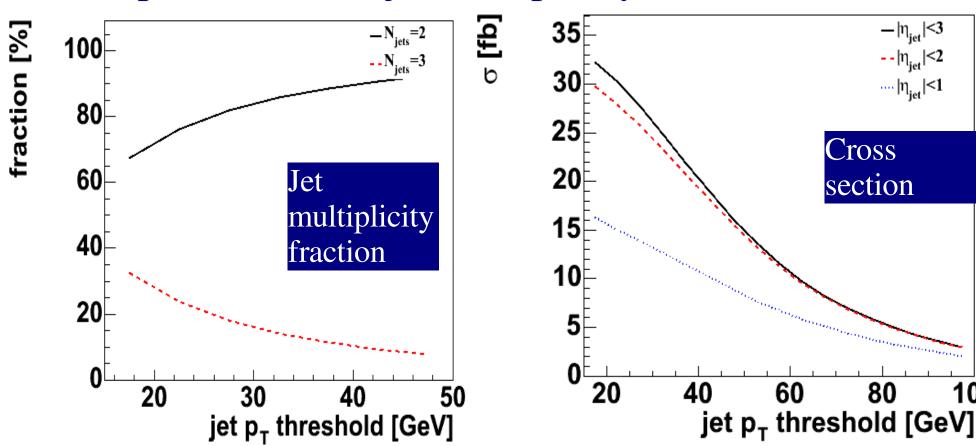
# Relative Contributions to NLO rate including Top Production and Decay

	s-channel	t-channel			
	NLO rate	0.86pb		NLO rate	1.9pb
\m\<	Born level	65%		Born level	105%
	Initial state	22%	3	Light quark	13%
>\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	Final state	11.5%		Heavy quark	-11%
> \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	Decay	1.2%		Decay	-7%
Cao, RS, Yuan h	ep-ph/0409040		n		

- O(as) corrections large for the s-channel
  - Only small rate correction for the t-channel
    - Decay correction is 2<sup>nd</sup> order effect, top mass and top width

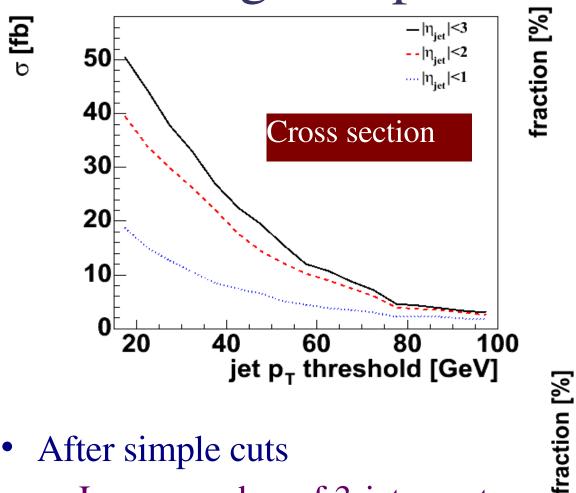
# Kinematic effect of $O(\alpha_s)$ Corrections

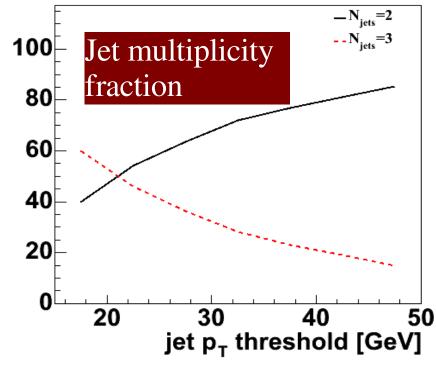
- After simple parton level selection cuts:
  - 1 lepton,  $p_T>15GeV$ ,  $|\eta|<2$ , missing  $E_T>15GeV$
  - ≥2 jets,  $p_T>15GeV$ , |η|<3
- Example: s-channel jet multiplicity



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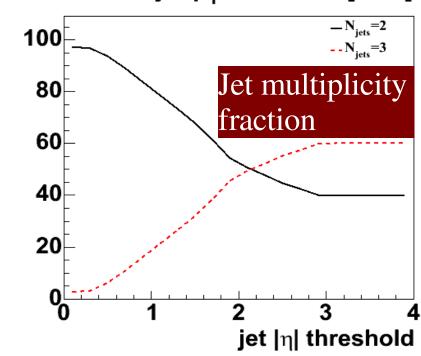
Single Top t-channel at NLO



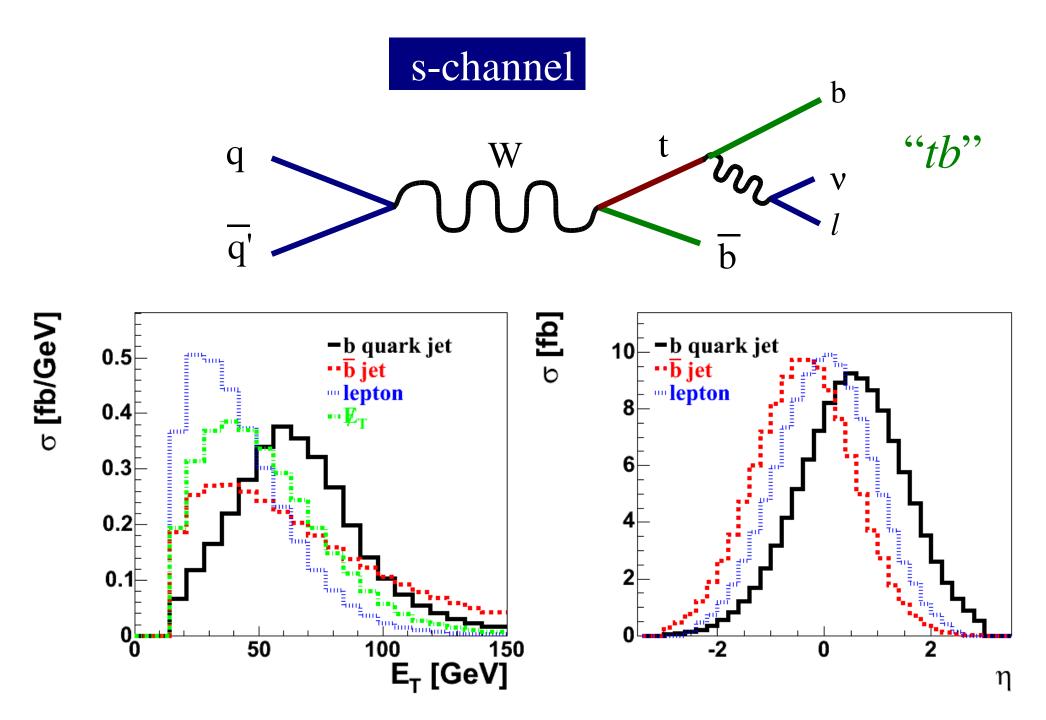




- Large number of 3-jet events
  - Depends strongly on jet p<sub>T</sub> and  $\eta$  cuts



#### Tevatron Single Top Quark Production



# Tevatron Single Top Quark Production

